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August 8, 1996

Jim Pledger, Treasurer
The Democratic Party of Arkansas
Federal Account
1300 West Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Identification Number: C00024372

Reference: Amended Mid-Year (1/1/95-6/30/95) and Amended Year End (771795-12/31/95) Reports dated 6/20/96

Dear Mr. Pledger:

This letter is to inform you that as of August 7, 1996, the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated July 17, 1996. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Edward Ryan on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

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Dear Mr. Pledger:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-You have previously been notified that your committee must make an attempt to obtain the occupation and name of employer for all individuals who contribute more than \$200 in a calendar year or demonstrate "best efforts" by providing the Commission with a description of committee procedures for requesting this information. Please amend your report by supplying the omitted information or providing an explanation of your efforts in this regard. 11 CFR \$\$104.3(a)(4)(i) and 104.7

-Schedules H1 and H4 of your report indicate that the federal allocation for administrative and generic voter drive costs is 57.14%. However, Commission calculations of the ballot composition ratio on Schedule H1 discloses the federal share to be 43%. Please amend your report to include a corrected Schedule H1 and note that a change in this ratio may make it necessary to repay your non-federal account for any overpayment they may have made. In addition, if Schedule H4 was submitted using incorrect federal and non-federal ratios then it must be amended to include the correct ratios. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): Expense Reimbursement. For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CPR \$104.3(b)(3). -please amend your report by providing the full name, address, and purpose of disbursement for the original vendors that are part of the payments made to credit card companies.

-Please amend your report by providing the purpose(s) or reason(s) for the offsets to operating expenditures itemized on Schedule A supporting Line 15.

-Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page discloses operating expenditures during the reporting period. If this figure includes any disbursaments to payees, that aggregate greater than \$200 in the calendar year, please amend your report(s) by itemizing the expenditures on Schedule B. 11 CFR \$104.3(b)(3)

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

Edward D. Ryan

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